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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A guest data management method for a navigation system, comprising the following steps of:

creating a guest database which stores at least information on names of guests and information on destinations associated with the guests where such information is created by a user;

editing the guest database by modifying the information stored in the database or adding new information to the database; and

retrieving information from the guest database for determining a destination for a travel with one of the guests whose information is stored in the database;

wherein the user is a person who uses the navigation system and the guest is a person who is entertained and went to the destination with the user.

2. (original) A guest data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein said database includes information as to whether a particular guest is pleased or the guest shows favorable opinion on a particular destination.

3. (currently amended) A guest data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein said database includes information on ~~persons involved in a travel to the destination including a user of~~

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~~the navigation system~~ or a driver of a vehicle used for the travel to the destination.

4. (currently amended) A guest data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein said database includes information created by a the user based on personal impression of a particular destination acquired when the user visited the destination or evaluation of the destination by the user.

5. (currently amended) A guest data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein said database includes information created by a the user based on impression or opinion expressed by a particular guest when the user and the guest visited the destination.

6. (currently amended) A guest data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein said step of creating the guest database includes a step of storing relevant information through a manual input process made by a the user.

7. (original) A guest data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein said step of creating the guest database includes a step of automatically storing information available through a normal operation of the navigation system including a name of a destination, address of the destination, and a time and date of visiting the destination.

8. (original) A guest data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein said step of creating the guest database includes a step of storing information available through an extended

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function of the navigation system including road condition, traffic condition, or weather condition during a travel to a destination when the navigation system includes appropriate sensors or a wireless communication means to acquire information on such conditions.

9. (currently amended) A guest data management apparatus for a navigation system, comprising:

means for creating a guest database which stores at least information on names of guests and information on destinations associated with the guests where such information is created by a user;

means for editing the guest database by modifying the information stored in the database or adding new information to the database; and

means for retrieving information from the guest database for determining a destination for a travel with one of the guests whose information is stored in the database;

wherein the user is a person who uses the navigation system and the guest is a person who is entertained and went to the destination with the user.

10. (original) A guest data management apparatus as defined in Claim 9, wherein said database includes information as to whether a particular guest is pleased or the guest shows favorable opinion on a particular destination.

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11. (currently amended) A guest data management apparatus as defined in Claim 9, wherein said database includes information on ~~persons involved in a travel to the destination including a user of the navigation system or~~ a driver of a vehicle used for the travel to the destination.

12. (currently amended) A guest data management apparatus as defined in Claim 9, wherein said database includes information created by a the user based on personal impression of a particular destination acquired when the user visited the destination or evaluation of the destination by the user.

13. (currently amended) A guest data management apparatus as defined in Claim 9, wherein said database includes information created by a the user based on impression or opinion expressed by a particular guest when the user and the guest visited the destination.

14. (currently amended) A guest data management apparatus as defined in Claim 9, wherein means for creating the guest database includes means for storing relevant information through a manual input process made by a the user.

15. (original) A guest data management apparatus as defined in Claim 9, wherein said means for creating the guest database includes means for automatically storing information available through a normal operation of the navigation system including a name of a destination, address of the destination, and a time and date of visiting the destination.

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16. (original) A guest data management apparatus as defined in Claim 9, wherein said means for creating the guest database includes means for storing information available through an extended function of the navigation system including road condition, traffic condition, or weather condition during a travel to a destination when the navigation system includes appropriate sensors or a wireless communication means to acquire information on such conditions.